

The LECs operate an "essential facility", and should have to accommodate other ISP firms that wish to purchase access from them. This wholesale provisioning stimulates competition and benefits consumers. Chairman Powell: Please do not sell out to BIG BUSINESS, at the expense of competition and the small businesses of our country. - There is absolutely no reason to change a system that works. A system which allows the public to call a phone get a voice and have an questioned answered or problem solved. To change the current law would be say that customer service is not part of the required service.